

Nothing Shall Hinder Them

In the spring of 1856 hundreds of European immigrants, converts to the Mormon faith, were camped at lowa City preparing to push on to the valley of the Great Salt Lake. They owned little more than the clothes on their backs, but they had stout hearts and, as events were to prove, incredible courage in the face of unimaginable hardship.

Word had been given: "Let them come on foot, with handcarts . . . Let them gird up their loins and walk through, and nothing shall hinder them."

The first company left camp June 9, 1856, and 109 days later, through heat and thirst and mountain storms over more than a thousand footsore miles, arrived at Salt Lake City. In the next four years nine other companies followed. A total of 2,637 souls started; most of them finished.

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